

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 30, to page 3, line 6, as follows.

Determining that the upper component is wedge-shaped does not in practice cause any difficulties since both its top connection surface and also its bottom slide surface are ~~plane~~ planar or substantially ~~plane~~ planar. Comparison with the normal intermediate parts is decisive in determining any wedge shape of the intermediate part in the sagittal plane. Moreover, it is not only simple to determine the direction of the approximately ~~plane~~ planar top slide surface of the intermediate part, but also the overall orientation of the bottom slide surface. An intermediate part is wedge-shaped, within the meaning of the present invention, in the sagittal plane when it becomes thicker anteriorly or posteriorly compared to the normal intermediate part.

Amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, lines 30-36, as follows.

The prosthesis comprising the upper component 3, the lower component 4 and the intermediate part 5 is to be arranged between the shin bone 1 and the ankle bone 2. The upper component 3 has a plate-shaped part 6 whose bottom face 7 forms a ~~plane~~ planar slide surface. Projections 8 are used for securing it in corresponding resection recesses 9 in the shin bone 1.

Amend the paragraph beginning at page 5, lines 10-16, as follows.

The intermediate part 5 has a ~~plane~~ planar top face 15 matching the slide surface 7, and a bottom slide surface 16 which is designed to complement the slide surface 10 of the lower component 4. It includes a groove 17 for receiving the rib 11. In this way, the intermediate part 5 is guided laterally in relation to the lower component 4. It is allowed only flexion and extension movements.